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| 11-339228 | Japan | Dec. 10, 1999 |

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above-listed reference in the examination of this application and list this reference of record in the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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